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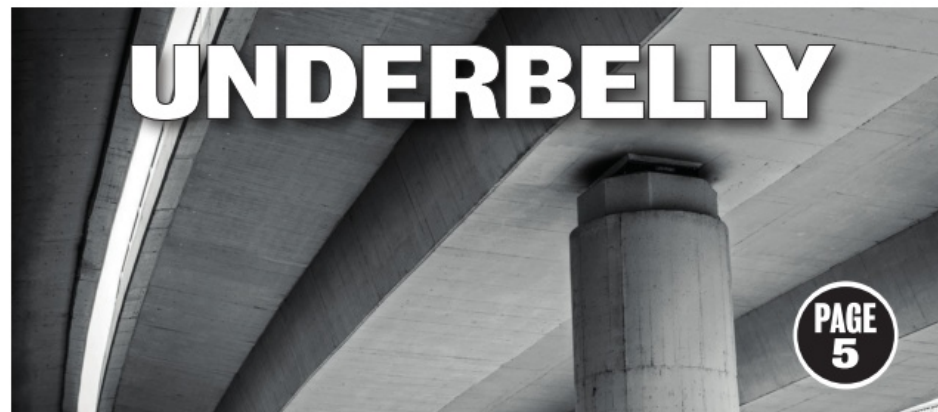
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Cyber criminals posing as a relative send out emergency help requests on messaging service. After transaction is done, account is closed and number blocked

THEORY OF RELATIVITY

As smaller amounts are sought, multiple persons are targeted

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There is a new scam in town. The concoction is irresistible: An ailing relative, a plea for help and a tug to heart strings on WhatsApp. The transaction is swift and ends soon after.

Now, the North-East division police have been seeing a strange case of criminals using photos of persons related to the victims, asking for money for a medical emergency and then doing the disappearing act.

The victims in these cases had sent the money through a UPI transaction after the 'relative' cites any emergency or urgent requirement of funds. Once the transaction is completed, the account and number get blocked.

After Facebook users became aware of cyber criminals' tactics, they have become cautious and do

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“We will be requesting data from WhatsApp and the investigation will proceed from there.”

— Anoop Shetty, DCP, North-East

Luxe bus travel to get costlier

Ticket prices may go up by 22%, thanks to rising fuel prices, toll tariffs, vehicle costs



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Travelling in long-distance luxury buses may cost more as private bus operators in the city and state may increase bus fares by up to 20%. This, they said, is to offset the impact of ever increasing fuel prices.

Around 5,000 private luxury buses make long-distance night trips from Bengaluru and back. There are around 20,000 such vehicles in the state.

According to S Natraj Sharma, chairman of Karnataka State Travel Operators Association, while a final decision on the fare will be taken on Wednesday, the association is looking at increasing the bus ticket prices by 20-22%.

“We will be taking a final call on April 13 and update the members. However, we are planning to see how the proportionate increase in the diesel prices can be adjusted in ticket costs so that it is not a burden for the travelers. We will be making a decision keeping this aspect in mind,” said Sharma.

A rise in fares implies that the interstate and intrastate long-distance trips will get costlier. For instance, travel from Bengaluru to Chennai will now come to anywhere between Rs 900 to Rs 1,100 from the current amount of Rs 700 to Rs 900. For travelers within Karnataka, where there is no interstate tax, an increase of Rs 150 per trip

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3 THINGS TO DO

01 Pupper party

SteppinOut has partnered with pet care brand Heads Up For Tails, to bring back their beloved event, PettinOut. A combination of fun, food, frolic and shopping, PettinOut is an event like no other. From exclusive photo booths, pet pool, ball pit, agility and off-leash zones, movie night, pet grooming to pet bakeries, this event is your go-to place to discover what your dog can do, like never before! There will also be a pet adoption camp, at the event, for those who wish to adopt a pupper. **Where:** JW Marriott, Ashok Nagar; **When:** April 17, 11 am; **Register:** Rs 499, bookmyshow.com

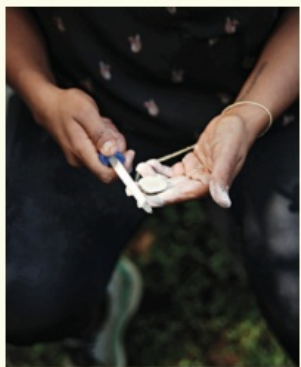


02 The fun element

Orion Malls has been adding a dash of fun and a splash of entertainment every summer by organizing the Fun League - an exciting event that attracts a diverse set of shoppers and fun-lovers, including grown-ups and kids. Keeping up with the tradition of entertaining Bangalore, Orion Malls is all set to make this year's 'Fun League' truly memorable by bringing to life some of the most iconic characters from Cartoon Network, with its new brand campaign 'Redraw your World'. **Where:** Orion Malls, multiple locations **When:** Till April 24

03 All about soapstone

Do something different and spend a morning experiencing your senses while learning all about soapstone but also rope-making from plant fibre and age-old traditions. Soapstone is a soft stone that can be carved into anything we want. It was made into utensils, like pots, pans and plates back in the day and used for cooking over a fire. You get to learn the whole process of carving, sanding and oiling and see the magic reveal itself at the end. **Where:** Bangalore Creative Circus, Yeswanthpur Industrial Suburb; **When:** April 14, 10 am to 1 pm **Register:** 7899796871



Breathe in, breathe out

A hyperbaric oxygen chamber was inaugurated at Victoria Hospital on Tuesday. On the day, Health Minister Dr K Sudhakar said that the state is prepared for any possible next wave of covid. He said random covid tests would be done on 5,000 children in the age group of 6-12. Meanwhile, on Tuesday, Karnataka reported 48 covid cases out of which 40 were from Bengaluru.

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Factor in bribe hurdle to your khata hassles

Shantinagar man alleges Revenue Department officials asked for a bribe when he went to Palike's office to transfer property documents

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Owning a home in the city is not always a cake-walk, as many citizens would narrate. From khata hassles to getting all the documents in order, the process is a long one. Now, a resident of Shantinagar has alleged that several officials in BBMP's Revenue Department have demanded a bribe of Rs 20,000 simply for the transfer of property documents.

The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Act 2020 makes it mandatory to apply for a change in khata when the property is to be transferred from one person to another.

The resident, on the condition of anonymity, said that although he had applied for the transfer (khata) over two months ago, he was still struggling to complete the last few steps of the process and the delay had cost him. He alleged that officials at the Shantinagar BBMP ward office have asked him for a bribe of Rs 20,000.

"I had bought an apartment over six years back and I wanted to shift my home loan from one bank to another. A couple of months back, I went to the BBMP office to apply for a khata transfer which was in the previ-



As per BBMP Act 2020, it is mandatory to apply for a change in khata when property is being transferred to a different name

ous owner's name. At the office, I was informed that I had to apply for it on the SAKALA online portal and the Bangalore One Centre office would help," he said, after having submitted the online application on February 16. However, the problem started there. After almost two weeks, a revenue officer visited the property. He inspected it and collected hard copies of all the documents.

Notably, payment of administrative charges at 2 per cent on

the value of stamp duty of the property documents is required for a copy of the khata certificate and khata extract. Moreover, one can apply for khata services in any Bangalore One Centre or can apply through Sakala online portal. As per Sakala Act, the stipulated number of working days for khata service is 30 days.

"I am aware of the charges and in my case, it comes up to Rs 10,000. Once the inspection process was wrapped up and I reached the ward office to make

A few officials approached me saying I need to pay in cash for office expenses which came up to Rs 20,000

— The resident of Shantinagar

the payment, a few officials approached me saying I need to pay for office expenses too. They calculated it to be Rs 20,000 and demanded it in cash," alleged the resident.

Owing to this delay, the bank cancelled the transfer application after keeping it on hold for three months.

"I have been waiting for three months to file the RTI application. But the officers know the rules and they know loopholes too. While all my documents are legitimate and in place, they can create difficulties in the process," said the resident.

According to the officials from BBMP's Revenue Department, applying online for such services is the only way out.

"We are aware of such problems. The residents, in such a situation, should reach out to the deputy commissioner or joint deputy commissioner of the zone. We also request the residents to apply online for the khata transfer process," said a BBMP official.

Spirit of inclusivity

Police officials, religious leaders of different communities promoted harmony by partaking in each other's traditions and festivals

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When incidents of communal violence are increasingly being reported in several cities of the country, Bengaluru, on the occasion of Ram Navami on Sunday, did something refreshingly opposite, and promoted a spirit of inclusivity.

The city as a whole not only remained peaceful, but also made sure that both the community members respected each other's traditions and even took part in the celebrations in and around Koramangala and Madiwala, said city police sources.

"A big shout-out goes to the Madiwala sub-division police personnel who did a commendable job in their strategic efforts of breaking the ice between religious heads and maintaining communal harmony during Ramzan and Ram Navami celebrations along with the 'Shobha Yatre' that was carried out by pro-Hindu outfits throughout the southeast parts of the city," lauded Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), South East Division Srinath Joshi.

According to the Southeast police, there are more than 100 temples within their jurisdiction. There are also 19 mosques in and around Madiwala and Koramangala. Even before Ramzan started, Assistant Police Commissioner (ACP) Madiwala sub-division, Sudhir Hegde had instructed his four Station House Officers (SHOs) of Koramangala, Madiwala, HSR Layout and Adu-godi police stations to personally visit all religious institutions in their jurisdictions and meet all its leaders and committee members.

"These exercises were carried out much before Ramzan started, and by the time of Ram Navami, all the religious heads knew each other and had passed on the message of respecting each other's religious sentiments," said a senior police officer.

During the time of 'Roza', (the time of breaking the fast during evenings) senior police officials in their uniforms visited mosques and participated in their prayers and even broke the fast with them sharing their food. They (police) also visited



From interacting with the common man to distributing food and beverages, religious leaders and cops went all out on the occasion of Ramzan and Ram Navami

the temples and interacted with the temple priests and devotees.

During the Ram Navami celebrations, religious leaders from the mosque had gone to the Sai Temple and a Ganesha temple in Koramangala and distributed 'majige' (butter-milk), 'Kosambari' and 'Paanaka' to the devotees and priests at the temples.

Around 300 to 400 members of a pro-Hindu outfit, Bajrang Dal, had organised for a 'Shobha Yatre' (procession of victory) in Koramangala that started from near the Koramangala Corporation Bank and went all the way in front of three mosques in and

Both the community members had respect for each other's religious sentiments

—a senior police officer

around Koramangala -- Madani masjid in Rajendra Nagar, the LR Nagar mosque and the Masjid-e-Mamoor near the Jyothi Nivas College in Koramangala.

"As the procession went on in front of the three mosques, religious heads and committee members from the masjids came out and offered water and refreshments to the people in procession, standing there to watch the festivities such as the band and the drums playing," a senior police officer said.

Priests and mosque committee members told the police that this is the first time they witnessed something like this in the past 26 years.

"Both the community members had respect for each other's religious sentiments and they understood the fact that if any incident was to happen, it would certainly be a failure of the law and order enforcement agency," a senior police officer added.

A yatre that was like no other

Cops did their best to ensure Shobha Yatre in Doddaballapur was a peaceful event

Police faced multiple challenges to conduct a Shobha Yatre in Doddaballapur Town and managed to pull it off without any untoward incidents. DySP Nagaraj KS, Doddaballapur sub-division, who was given charge of granting permissions and providing security arrangements for the mega event where at least 10,000 people are said to have participated, had a lot on his plate.

DySP Nagaraj conducted meetings with subordinates and also took feedback from the ground staff. He instructed his men to be on their toes. Superintendent of Police, Bengaluru District, Kona Vamshi Krishna had banned liquor in that sub-

division a day prior to the rally. The DySP and his men met with the community leaders and had peace meetings. "Our men also installed additional CCTV cameras at all important junctions, religious institutions - temples and mosques, even churches and live feeds were being monitored by our men at a control room. We also had drones to have a bird view of the procession," Nagaraj told BM.

CCTVs, drones constantly recorded the event while cops were stationed at various points

there were his men as a part of the procession in mufti. "Around 10 policemen in plain clothes were videographing the entire procession being a part of it and there were around 50 policemen who were a part of the procession in casual clothes, keeping a tab," he said.

They also bought fiber lathis from Shivajinagar. One thing the police felt was that permission shouldn't have been granted for the procession to enter in-lanes, by-lanes and smaller roads. Police jeeps and vehicles were stationed at strategic locations blocking some lanes and security for religious institutions. "At Islampur there were around 1000 people who had gathered at the time of their Ramzan

prayer and Iftaar, but we ensured that everything went on peacefully," Nagaraj added.

The 'Shobha Yatre' procession started around 2.30 pm at Doddaballapur Town and went on until 10 pm on Sunday and it started with a strength of around 4000 people and by the end of the procession there were at least 10,000 people who had participated in the Yatre. "A right wing activist who is known for her provocative speeches was also summoned by our officers and warned that she should not utter anything that would hurt the sentiments of others and so she was seen mostly abusing the police in her speeches," the DySP added.

—Bellie Thomas



NO FOLKS, BOOSTER JABS ARE NOT A SCAM

THE CLAIMS

Amid the recent developments where those 18 and above have finally become eligible to receive booster doses of Covid vaccines, rumours have surfaced that booster doses are a sham.

"There is no such thing as a 'booster'," a Facebook post read.

"There is a failed product that is sometimes used again in hopes of a different outcome, which is the definition of insanity."



SO, WHAT'S THE TRUTH?

So far, studies have shown the Covid vaccine reduces the chance of infection and hospitalisation significantly. As far as the need of a booster dose is concerned, experts have said that it's normal for vaccines to require a booster jab months after the first shot.

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TOP COMMENTS

No place for bigotry

Our story 'War of words between top cop, govt; had an interesting take from a reader. Commenting on social media, a reader, Bisleri, wrote: "BJP is simply trying from Bengaluru by inciting communal violence. Don't fall for them, just vote them out."



WEBHITS

3 most-read articles on the Mirror site

- Snakes can't take the heat
- Jumbo trunks in trash dumps
- A war of words between top cop, Home Dept

Putting in lake work

Following prime minister's order to rejuvenate, revive water bodies, union minister visits three Bengaluru lakes before planning development works

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Recently, prime minister Narendra Modi announced the construction of 75 Amrit Sarovars and reviving and rejuvenating existing water bodies in the country. Among the projects announced, Kempambudhi Kere, Gubbalala and Mestrilaya lakes in Bengaluru are going to be taken up for rejuvenation.

Union minister of state for electronics and IT and skill development and entrepreneurship Rajeev Chandrasekhar, as a part of the initiative to develop 75 Amrit Sarovars, visited the lakes in Bengaluru along with MLAs M Krishnappa, Ravi Subramanya L and Uday B Garudachar, lake experts and citizens. The group inspected the lakes and discussed the way forward to revive and protect these water bodies.

Chandrasekhar has been actively pursuing conservation and rejuvenation of water bodies, preventing encroachments and supporting development of Bellandur, Varthur, Rampura, Yelahanka, Horamavu and Sarakki lakes. He has worked with United Bengaluru, a platform that aims to protect the lakes of Bengaluru, resident welfare associations, civil society organisations and citizen volunteers for the same purposes.

During the inspection, Chandrasekhar asked for the master plans of these lakes, based on which assistance will be provided to restore the three lakes.

Kempambudhi Kere is situated behind Jinke Park in Chamrajpet and is spread across 47 acres. The lake was built in the 16th century and is said to be used by many people for swimming. It became a cen-



Above: File pic of Bellandur Lake, filled with waste. Below: Union minister Rajeev Chandrasekhar snapped while visiting Kempambudhi Kere, Gubbalala and Mestrilaya lakes with MLAs, lake experts and citizens



tre for cultural, religious and sporting activities. However, as the years

passed, negative effects of rapid urbanisation, like encroachments,

Many citizens were present during the inspection. Chandrasekhar encouraged BBMP officials to work with them to develop the lakes

got to it.

A visit to Gubbalala Lake was also made. The lake is said to reportedly being rejuvenated at a cost of Rs 3.5 crore. BBMP has been carrying out the work to rejuvenate it.

During the inspection, many citizens were present. Chandrasekhar asked BBMP officials to work with the citizens to develop these lakes.

Software to help improve road safety

Onboard Driver Assistance and Warning System (ODAWS), a software, was recently launched under the second phase of the Intelligent Transportation System Endeavor for Indian Cities initiatives of the ministry of electronics and information technology (MeitY). Sources said, with improved highway infrastructure and an increase in the number of vehicles, speed on roads has also increased, which has raised road safety concerns. As per the ministry of road transport and highways of India (MoRTH), driver's error has been the cause for accidents in 84 per cent cases. This highlights a need for a system that can assist drivers on road to help prevent casualties.

"ODAWS incorporates vehicle-borne sensors to monitor driver propensity and a vehicle's surroundings to deliver acoustic and visual alerts for driving assistance. The project involves the development of sub-



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modules such as a navigational unit, driver assistance console and an mmWave radar sensor. The positional and dynamic characteristics of vehicles nearby are probed using the mmWave radar sensor. The navigational sensor provides a precise geo-

spatial orientation of the vehicle as well as trends in driving behaviour. The software's algorithm is used to interpret sensor data and offer real-time notifications to the driver, improving road safety," said an official. In the Bus Signal Priority System,

a lack of reliability in case of public transport is a major reason why people opt to use personal vehicles instead. "Improving this is essential to attract more travellers to public transport, which will lead to a more sustainable traffic solution. One of the major causes of delays for public transport buses in urban arterials is the delay caused at signalised intersections. The Bus Signal Priority System is an operational strategy that modifies normal traffic signal operations to better accommodate in-service public buses at signal-controlled intersections.

Unlike the blind priority given to emergency vehicles (like ambulances), a conditional priority can be given... The system will help minimise delay by providing priority to public transport buses, either through green extension or red truncation, considering all vehicles approaching a signalised intersection," said an official.

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In shambles

Marathahalli



A bus stop on Outer Ring Road is in a bad shape. The authorities concerned must repair the tiles here.

Wasted

RT Nagar



Waste and construction materials have been dumped on the 9th Cross in 2nd Block. This is dangerous for pedestrians, motorists and residents.

Urgent repair needed

Srirampuram



The 4th Cross is in a bad condition and must be restored at the earliest.



Chariot of the gods

Devotees from all over the city gathered to offer prayers at the chariot festival organised at the celebrated Sri Venkateswara Swamy temple in Bellandur

Don't look under the flyover

Because we can't guarantee what horrific sights you will have to see in space under Hebbal flyover

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Despite being home to scores of flyovers, the space beneath city's flyovers are just eyesores. These spaces have turned into obnoxious spots for people to dump waste. Citizens say the ample space below flyovers could easily be beautified or put to better use.

The area below the Hebbal flyover has recently caught the public eye due to the plastic and textile waste strewn all over the area. A resident, who uses the road regularly to commute, on the request of anonymity, said, "It's a shame that the area right next to the main road has become so dirty. There is a terrible stench because of

all the waste that is accumulated there.

There is scope of putting the area to better use rather than letting it turn into a black spot. Just because of this garbage, the ambience of the entire area has deteriorated. If the authorities clean the space and plant some grass or other trees, the place will look beautiful."

Rajesh Nair, an IT professional, said the authorities should take steps to clear the waste immediately. "If they make some arrangements for people or plant trees and put spaces for people to sit, it will not just beautify the place, but also make it safer. Due to the lack of lights and lack of attention to this area, the area is not safe. If the space is cleaned and maintained, such activities will come to an end."

Karan Gowda, a businessman, has a suggestion. "There is a lack of parking



spaces in the city. The authorities can turn these spaces into parking spots. This will help in preventing

the existing parking spaces from getting overcrowded. Since the area below the flyovers do not get direct

sunlight, the parked vehicles will not get heated up too," he said.

Srinivas Alavilli, member of Janaagraha said that if the responsibility of maintaining the area is given to the people residing in the locality, the menace of littering can be tackled. "While designing flyovers, authorities should also have planned how to maintain the area. As flyovers are concrete islands, if there is something that will reduce the impact of the heat generated, such as planting saplings then that should be done."

He said the other idea is to make arrangements for rainwater harvesting beneath the flyovers so that every drop of rain water trickling from the flyovers can be put to good use and not be wasted. "This water can also be used for the local Miyawaki forest plantation," Alavilli suggested.

Contractor who accused minister of graft found dead in Udupi hotel

A contractor who had accused the Karnataka Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Minister KS Eshwarappa of demanding 40 per cent commission for a contract, was found dead in a lodge in the coastal town of Udupi on Tuesday morning. Police suspect it to be a case of suicide and have launched an investigation. According to police, the body of Santosh K Patil from Belagavi district was found in a room in the private lodge. His friends were staying adjacent to his room. Patil reportedly sent some messages to a few media houses saying that he was committing suicide and alleged that Eshwarappa was responsible for his death.

Eshwarappa said he had no information about the suicide. "I have no information. I had filed a case (defamation suit) against him for levelling the charges and the case was admitted. I am learning about the suicide from you (media)," Eshwarappa said. To a query on Patil blaming him for his death, the Minister said, "He could have written it but I have no information about it. I have no clue why he wrote my name in the death note. Only he can answer but he is no more." On March 30, Patil, who had claimed himself to be a BJP worker, alleged that he had executed a work in the RDPR department and wanted the payment but Eshwarappa demanded 40 per cent commission in the Rs four crore work. The Minister not only rubbished his charge, but also filed a defamation suit against him. Reacting to the incident, the state Home Minister Araga Jnanendra said the case would be investigated. The Congress party demanded an FIR against the minister and an independent probe into the incident.

- Agencies

CCTVs to keep eye on Metro stone-pelting



With Namma Metro having to face instances of stone-pelting, the BMRCCL has decided to file cases against culprits. As a first step, BMRCCL has installed 10 CCTVs at the spot where stone pelting was witnessed.

Personnel will monitor the cameras round-the-clock. Sources said that if any untoward incident is reported, Metro officials will hand over the proof to the police for a probe. Though a majority of Metro's tracks are elevated or underground, sources said that at Magadi Road junction where the Metro train travels from elevated portion to a tunnel

(Kengeri-Baiyappanahalli stretch), the stone pelting incidents were reported. At a few junctions where the trains' transits from elevated portions to underground and at one area where the train travels at grade too the trains, they can be pelted with stones. So, Metro officials will up the security as well. Metro officials clarified that no coach was damaged in the stone pelting incident.

Tenders for Sarjapur line DPR

Meanwhile, BMRCCL has invited tenders for preparation of a Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the Sarjapur

line. Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai had recently announced in his budget about the new line which was earlier put in cold storage. This line is expected to be of 35-kilometre length and connect areas like Dairy Circle, Koramangala and Agara.

The estimated cost of this project is Rs 15,000 crore. It is expected that out of 35 km, 16.8 kilometre will be a tunnel between Hebbal to Koramangala as it passes via congested areas and the remaining portion from Koramangala to Sarjapur will be elevated. Now, it is to be seen whether this line will be part of phase 3A or 4.

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Organizations' failure to properly manage the servers they lease from cloud service providers can allow attackers to receive private data, research my colleagues and I conducted has shown.

Cloud computing allows businesses to lease servers the same way they lease office space. It's easier for companies to build and maintain mobile apps and websites when they don't have to worry about owning and managing servers. But this way of hosting services raises security concerns.

Each cloud server has a unique IP address that allows users to connect and send data. After an organization no longer needs this address, it is given to another customer of the service provider, perhaps one with malicious intent. IP addresses change hands as often as every 30 minutes as organizations change the services they use.

When organizations stop using a cloud server but fail to remove references to the IP address from their systems, users can continue to send data to this address, thinking they are talking to the original service. Because they trust the service that previously used the address, user devices automatically send sensitive information such as GPS location, financial data and browsing history.

An attacker can take advantage of this by "squatting" on the cloud: claiming IP addresses to try to receive traffic intended for other organizations. The rapid turnover of IP addresses leaves little time to identify and correct the issue before attackers start receiving data. Once the attacker controls the address, they can continue to receive data until the organization discovers and corrects the issue.

Our study of a small fraction of cloud IP addresses found thousands of businesses that were potentially leaking user data, including data from mobile apps and advertising trackers. These apps initially intended to share personal data with businesses and advertisers, but instead leaked data to whoever controlled the IP address. Anyone with a cloud account could collect the same data from vulnerable organizations.

Researchers found that half of smartphone users were comfortable sharing locations through apps

Why it matters

Smartphone users share personal data with businesses through the apps they install. In a recent survey, researchers found that half of smartphone users were comfortable sharing their locations through smartphone apps. But the personal information users share through these apps could be used to steal their identity or hurt their reputation.

Personal data has seen increasing regulation in recent years, and users may be content to trust the businesses they interact with to follow those regulations and respect their privacy. But these regulations may not sufficiently protect users. Our research shows that even when companies intend to use data responsibly, poor security practices can leave that data up for grabs.

Users should know that when they share their private or personal data with companies, they are also exposed to the security practices of those companies. They can take steps to reduce this exposure by reducing how much data they share and with how many organizations they share it.

What other research is being done in this field

Academics and industry are focusing on responsible collection of user data. A recent push by Google aims to reduce collection of users' personal data by mobile advertisements, ensuring that their security and privacy is protected.

At the same time, researchers are working to better explain what applications do with the data they collect. This work aims to ensure that the data users share with applications is used how they expect by matching permission prompts with how the apps actually behave.

What's next

We're conducting research into new technologies on smartphones and devices to ensure they protect user data. For instance, research led by a colleague of mine describes an approach to protect personal data collected by smart cameras. Our vantage point on traffic in the public cloud is also enabling new studies of the internet as a whole. We are continuing to work with cloud providers to ensure that user data stored on the cloud is secure, and are introducing techniques to prevent businesses and their customers from being victimized on the cloud.

—Eric Pauley, Penn State
(THE CONVERSATION)

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EYE ON AI, CYBER SECURITY



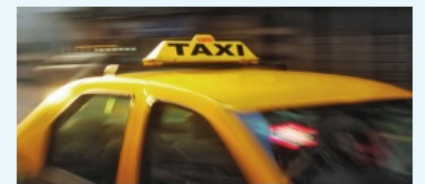
A high-level delegation of IBM officials on Tuesday met C. N. Ashwathnarayan, Minister for IT-BT, Science and Technology at the Vikasa Soudha in Bengaluru and evinced interest in sharing knowledge with the government of Karnataka in the areas of cyber security and artificial intelligence (AI).

The three-member IBM delegation led by Sandip Patil, managing director, IBM South Asia assured the minister that the company would help the government in formulating a cyber-security policy.

During the meeting, Ashwathnarayan said the government would take the help of the company in matters concerning cyber security. Sandip Patil said IBM had recently opened a Security Command Centre in Bengaluru to improve cyber resilience and capacity development of the industry.

—IANS

INTO THE ROBOTAXI



Tesla will build a vehicle dedicated for use as a robotaxi, and it will start making three new vehicles next year, CEO Elon Musk told fans at a party celebrating the opening of a Texas factory. Musk didn't give details of the robotaxi other than to say it will "look quite futuristic." He also said Tesla will start building the Cybertruck pickup at its new factory near Austin, Texas, next year. After that, it will start building a new Roadster and an electric semi, he said. He made his remarks Thursday night at the "Cyber Rodeo at Giga Texas," an invitation-only party for thousands of guests at Tesla's new billion-dollar-plus factory.

As many as 15,000 people were expected to attend the private event hosted to mark the opening of the new factory in Travis County that also serves as the company's new headquarters.

—AP

India, US to hold dialogue on Artificial Intelligence opportunities

WASHINGTON

India and the US have agreed to hold a dialogue on artificial intelligence to harness opportunities for joint innovation and cooperation in new domains, the two countries announced after the 2+2 ministerial.

Secretary of State Tony Blinken and Defence Secretary Lloyd Austin hosted the fourth 2+2 ministerial dia-

logue with Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and External Affairs Minister Jaishankar.

The Dialogue was preceded by a virtual meeting between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Joseph Biden.

"They decided to hold an inaugural AI Dialogue this year to



harness opportunities for joint innovation and cooperation in new domains," according to a joint statement issued by India and the US after the 2+2 ministerial dialogue on Monday.

They also discussed additional training opportunities for

the respective militaries, and the United States welcomed enhanced Indian participation in advanced courses across these emerging domains.

During the meeting, the Ministers acknowledged the importance of deepening collaboration in science and technology in the US-India Joint Technical Group (JTG), and in evolving

new defence domains, including space, artificial intelligence (AI), and cyber.

They underscored the importance of cooperation in space and welcomed plans to conduct an inaugural Defence Space Dialogue in 2022. They welcomed the second Defence Cyber Dialogue held in 2021 and look forward to the next round this year, said the joint statement.

PTI

Covid not over & out yet, take precautions

Mandaviya downplays worries over XE variant, says it is another form of Omicron but asks people to not drop their guard as the pandemic is ongoing

#New Delhi

Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya on Tuesday played down apprehensions about XE variant of the coronavirus saying it is just another form of Omicron, and asked people to maintain precautions as the pandemic is not over yet.

Addressing a press conference at the BJP headquarters where he spoke in detail about the central government's measures to deal with the pandemic since its outbreak in 2020, he also said that it is up to experts to decide as far as starting vaccination of children below 12 years are concerned.

He, though, noted that very few countries have gone for administering the jabs to children in this age group.

To a question about the government fixing the price of precaution dose at Rs 225, he said it is the maximum price, and this may still come down due to competition in future as more vaccine manufacturers enter the market.

The precaution dose is being provided free of cost for those above 60 years of age at government centres but others will have to get them at private facilities.

While the covid-19 situation is under control, the government is continuously monitoring it and advising states accordingly, Man-



A health worker inoculates a woman with a booster dose against covid, at a polyclinic, in Gurugram

daviya said.

One has to take precaution as the pandemic is not over yet, he said. "We cannot predict tomorrow," he added.

The XE variant is a combination or recombinant of both sub-variants -- BA.1 and BA.2 -- of Omicron.

Hailing India's fight against the pandemic, Mandaviya said over 97 per cent of the eligible popula-

tion has been given the first dose of vaccine and 85 per cent both which, he added, played a key role in curbing the severity of the Omicron wave that hit many countries hard.

In a presentation, he highlighted that the total fatality rate (TFR) was much lower in India compared to many developed countries. India reported 380 deaths per million population compared to

the global average of 788 deaths, he said.

India was also able to limit the infection's spread, with 31,383 cases reported per million against 63,458 globally, he said.

Meanwhile, Chief Executive Officer of Serum Institute of India (SII) Adar Poonawalla on Tuesday said that India is better prepared to face it now than it was in 2020.

—Agencies

Buzz about bus fare

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is expected. The decision to hike the ticket fare has come on account of diesel prices reaching almost Rs 95 per litre in the city. The fare hike, however, will not apply to short-route stage carriages.

"Increasing the ticket price for short-route stage carriage is not in our hands. In that case, we first have to submit a memorandum to the government and the transport authority takes a decision. We are focusing on the ticket prices of luxury vehicles that travel long distances. These vehicles require a huge quantity of fuel. For instance, to reach Chennai from Bengaluru, a luxury sleeper bus guzzles more than 100-120 litres of diesel. With the recent surge in diesel prices, this amount is exorbitant," said a member of the association. The decision is not only because of the increase in the fuel prices, but also a fresh hike in toll rates and surge in the overall cost of luxury vehicles. Private bus operators said it is no longer viable to operate at current ticket fares.

"Toll fare has gone up by 10% to 65% recently, which caught us off guard as there was no prior notification issued. Moreover, earlier the cost of a luxury segment vehicle was around Rs 35-40 lakh. Now it has gone up to Rs 60 lakh for a sleeper bus," said a representative of a private bus operating company.

The association said there has not been a hike in ticket fares since 2018. However, looking at the current situation, it seems inevitable.

New scam in town

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not fall for such traps easily so the criminals have now moved shop to the instant messaging service WhatsApp in a bid to find a fresh and steady line of victims. Upon preliminary investigation, the police found the 'relatives' were in fact cybercriminals operating with WhatsApp accounts using photos of victims' relatives. North-East DCP Anoop Shetty told Bangalore Mirror, "We have some cases registered where the offenders are copying WhatsApp account profile pictures and making WhatsApp accounts using them. Then they contact relatives and friends of the person in the photograph and ask for money citing some emergency."

According to him, this modus operandi was so far seen on Facebook. "Even though in WhatsApp, the criminals approach the victims using unknown numbers, the photograph evinces trust and they assume their relative/friend has taken a new number," he said. This is the modus operandi -- first start a conversation and ask for money for some medical emergency or the like. After the transfer of money, the accounts are closed. Usually, the UPI transfer method is used. Smaller amounts ranging from Rs 5,000-Rs 10,000 to remain in the limelight. Multiple victims are

targeted as smaller amounts are sought. According to Shetty, social media users became aware and cautious of Facebook-related cyber crimes, so the new service is being used. Shetty noted that two cases have been registered in a week in North-East police station, but no arrests have been made yet. Last week, there were a couple of cases as well. Police have launched a full-blown probe into the new scam and will reveal details soon.

FB scams dip

He added that there has been a decline in Facebook-related scams as the users are more aware of the modus operandi here and the actual owners of these profiles immediately alert people about fake alerts. However WhatsApp-related cybercrime is a new concept and so police worry that there might be an increase in these cases in the coming days.

"We will be requesting data from WhatsApp and the investigation will proceed from there," Shetty added. Highlighting the steps that can be undertaken as a precautionary measure, Shetty said users should not respond to strange numbers with known profile pictures. "Secondly, before paying the person, it's better to confirm with the person over the phone or in person about the situation," he said.

Gunman opens fire on subway in Brooklyn; 16 injured

#Washington

A gunman filled a rush-hour subway train with smoke and shot multiple people on Tuesday, leaving wounded commuters bleeding on a Brooklyn platform as others ran screaming, authorities said.

Police were still searching for the shooter.

Officials said the gunfire wounded at least eight people, and at least 16 in all were injured in some way in the attack at the 36th Street station in the borough's Sunset Park neighborhood.

A train rider's video shows smoke and people pouring out of a subway car.

Wails erupt as passengers run for an exit as a few others limp off the train. One falls to the platform, and a person hollers, "Someone call 911!" In other video and photos from the scene, people tend to bloodied passengers lying on the platform, some amid what appear to be small puddles of blood, and another person is on the floor of a subway car.

"My subway door opened into calamity. It was smoke and blood and people screaming," eyewitness Sam Carcamo told radio station 1010 WINS, saying he saw a gigantic billow of smoke pouring out of the N train once the door opened.

According to multiple law enforcement sources briefed on the investigation, preliminary information indicated that the gunman who fled was wearing a construction vest and a gas mask.

Investigators believe the gunman deployed a smoke device before opening fire, one of the law enforcement officials said.

Investigators are examining whether he may have used that device in an effort to distract people before shooting, the official said.

Fire and police officials were investigating reports that there had been an explosion, but the police department tweeted that there were "no active explosive devices at this time." Multiple smoke devices were found on the scene, said mayoral spokesperson Fabien Levy, who confirmed the initial shooting injury count.

At least 11 people were being treated at two local hospitals.

No MTA workers were physically hurt, according to a statement from the Transport Workers Union Local 100.

Juliana Fonda, a broadcast engineer at WNYC-FM, told its news site Gothamist she was riding the train when passengers from the car behind hers started banging on the door between them, he told the AP. —AP



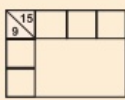
Morning rush hour attack at the subway station



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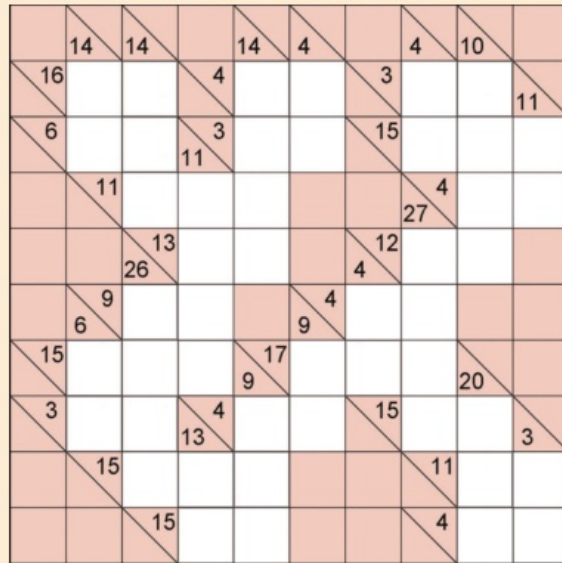
Kakuro

The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas

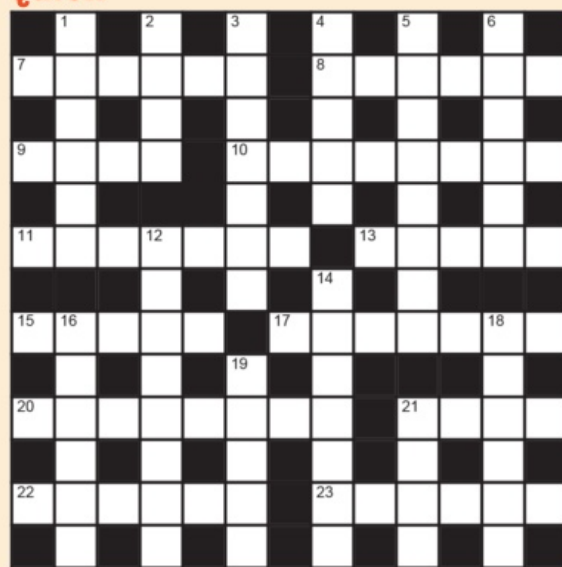


for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.

Note: A digit cannot appear more than once in any particular digit combination. For instance, in the example, we cannot have the combination of 4+7+4 for 15.



Quick



ACROSS

- 7 Vibration (6)
- 8 Tourist destination where R K Narayanan's Malgudi Days was filmed (6)
- 9 Kiln or furnace (4)
- 10 Punish (8)
- 11 Slid (7)
- 13 Varieties (5)
- 15 Pursue stealthily (5)
- 17 Raised or hauled up (7)
- 20 Unequal (contest) (3-5)
- 21 Strong red wine (4)
- 22 Great flood or very heavy downpour (6)
- 23 eg Toadstool (6)

DOWN

- 1 Cringe (6)
- 2 Prophetic sign (4)
- 3 Victimised by deception (7)
- 4 Director ____ Johar (5)
- 5 Supports, bears the weight of (8)
- 6 Mistreated (6)
- 12 Ceases action or participation? (5,3)
- 14 Admonished (4,3)
- 16 Heavyweight Gene? (6)
- 18 Severe scolding (6)
- 19 A snake (5)
- 21 Small water body (4)

Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Today's CLUE: Z EQUALS P
XP CQUPH NFDO SNFPH
ZPSZJP, QM GSK EDO, XKN WS
OSN NPJJ NFPI US.



Linemaro

I admire your dress sense



Mindchow

All desirable things in life are either illegal, banned, expensive or married to someone else



Joke of the day

Judge: Where were you between five and six? Defendant: In kindergarten

Loop

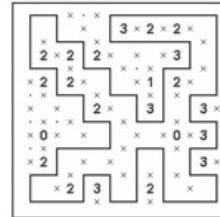
Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.

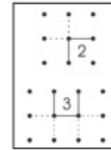
How to begin:

Example (Fig A) - Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

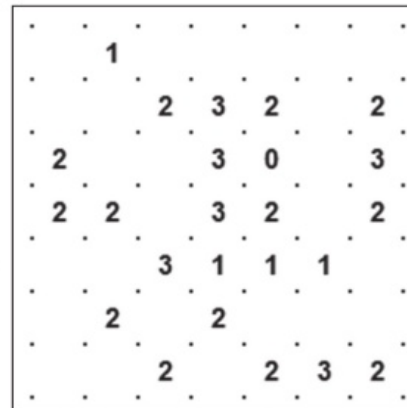
Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)



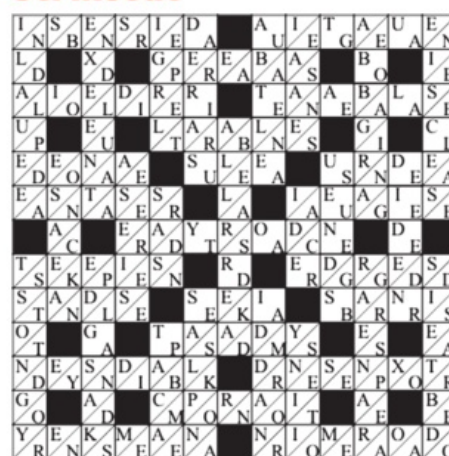
(Fig A)



(Fig B) Not Allowed



Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...



ACROSS

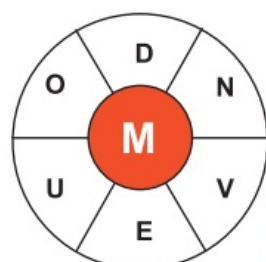
- 1 Haw as; 6 Tense;
- 7 Tikes; 8 Greet;
- 9 Pshaw

DOWN

- 1 Wakes; 2 Wig he;
- 3 Ratan; 4 Step;
- 5 Seth's

Mensapuzzle

Which one is wrong?



Bull's eye

How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

09 Average; 10 Good; 12 Outstanding

SudokuChallenge



To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.



Easy

□ □ □ □ □ = 16

3 5 6 8

Medium

□ □ □ □ □ = 6

3 3 4 5

Hard

□ □ □ □ □ = 24

2 8 8 2

Hocusfocus



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



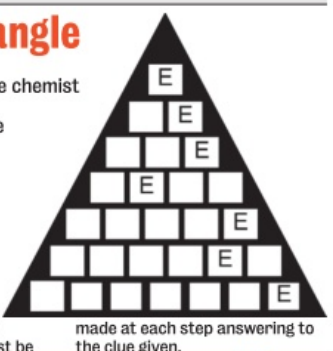
Differences: 1. Stripe is added to sleeve. 2. Elbow patch is moved. 3. Desk lamp is taller. 4. Paper is missing. 5. Pennant is added to hand.

Following are 6 words that have the same two letters repeated at some point. Those two letters have been removed, replaced by two sets of asterisks. Can you figure out which two letters to use in each word? You use the same two letters within each word, but use a different set of letters for each word. 1. "ichorm" 2. "joym" 3. "iqu" 4. "ip" 5. "s" 6. "p" 7. "zard"

Alpha triangle

- 1 Second vowel
- 2 Germanium for the chemist
- 3 Epoch
- 4 Neutral or reverse
- 5 Burst in
- 6 Bedevil
- 7 Army unit

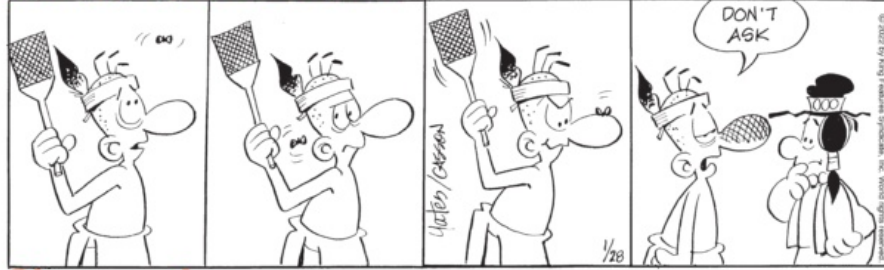
Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be



made at each step answering to the clue given.

COMICS

Redeye by Mel Casson



Bizarrotrip



Diamond Lil



Hart of the city



Crankshaft



Mutts



WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

Aries Mar 21 - Apr 20

You may be busy with kids' education and career. You may hear some good news in terms of their academics. Love birds must be patient in terms of relationships. Investors must avoid investing in risky assets or they might face losses. Meditation and praying may help to deal with messy situations.



Leo Jul 24 - Aug 23

You are blessed by the moon. Happiness may be around you and help you enjoy your daily chores. Your vital power may help you make tough decisions and help boost your profits in the near future. You may plan a short work-related trip. Colleagues may support you to complete your work on time. Students may focus better on studies. Control your eating habits to avoid stomach issues.



Sagittarius Nov 23 - Dec 22

You're blessed by Jupiter and may expect to get an important position or post at work. You may be inclined towards religious and mythological studies. You may have strong opinions. It may make you confident at work. You may also plan an overseas trip.



Taurus Apr 21 - May 20

You may feel dissatisfied as you may not yield benefits from your hard work. It may upset you. Read documents carefully before signing a contract or deed. It may be a good time to invest in assets. Follow your intuition before investing in fixed assets. Overworking may affect your domestic life.



Virgo Aug 24 - Sep 23

You may feel dull and sleeplessness may affect your mental and physical health. You may be upset due to health issues of family members. Your expenditure on worthless stuff may affect your savings. You may become a victim of conspiracy; keep an eye on opponents.



Capricorn Dec 23 - Jan 20

Today, you may feel unhappy and dull. This will affect your way of working. There may be some delay in your projects. This may affect your prestige in your professional and domestic life. Avoid adventurous tours or rash driving. Love bird may break up. Job seekers may be disappointed in terms of new job opportunities.



Gemini May 21 - Jun 21

You may be busy socially and develop your network. You may also plan a short work-related trip. Disputes between siblings or friends may get resolved now. Your colleagues may cooperate with you to complete a difficult project. You are likely to complete all tasks with confidence. Be patient while interacting with any persons.



Libra Sep 24 - Oct 22

Past investments may yield profits. You may get good results with low effort. Your obstacles may go. Your financial status may improve now and new sources of income may open up. Couples may hear good news in terms of kids. You may get succeed easily after a little effort.



Aquarius Jan 21 - Feb 19

You may perform your best at work and bond well with the boss. You may get new responsibilities in terms of promotions. Chronic health issues may be cured now. You may get good incentives for your work. Disputes with siblings may be resolved. Job seekers may find a new job.



Cancer Jun 22 - July 23

You may implement new plans in your family business and earn gains in the near future. You may be busy in a family or social get together. You may spend on some creative stuff or artefacts to renovate your house and boost your social status. Be careful; you may have teeth, ears, eyes, nose or skin-related issues.



Scorpio Oct 23 - Nov 22

You're likely to meet someone who may help you grow your business or work. Destiny may help you; losses may convert to profits. Financial health may be on track now. Love birds are advised to make important decisions in terms of marriage. Singles may find their soulmate.



Pisces Feb 20 - Mar 20

Today, you may feel healthy and diseases may get cured. You may hear good news from a close relative. You may perform well in the office as a colleague may help you with critical projects. You may develop faith in your juniors and may hear good news in legal matters.



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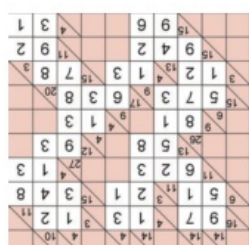
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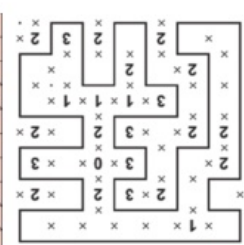
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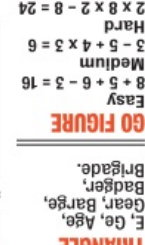
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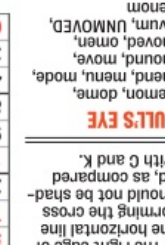
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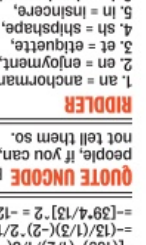
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FAST FIVE



RIDDLE



Character that touched Arjun

Actor Arjun Rampal recently revealed that his character Om Singh, a homicide detective in upcoming thriller London Files, impacted him personally, actually "a lot more" than he expected

Amrita's fear and anxiety



Amrita Rao and RJ Anmol have been treating fans with a lot of fascinating trivia from their personal lives through their new series, 'Couple of Things'.

The couple has always kept their personal life away from the media glare. Even their first pregnancy that happened in 2020 was a surprise for literally everyone. The news of their pregnancy came to light after the duo was clicked outside a hospital and Amrita had a baby bump.

ETimes got an exclusive sneak peek into this week's episode of 'Couple of Things'. The content will surely relate to a lot of ladies out there as Amrita and Anmol have spoken about their pregnancy and how the 'let's have a baby' discussion started. In the episode, Anmol shared that they discussed having a baby on their honeymoon in Bali which left

Amrita panicky. It's when Amrita revealed that she had the fear of the concept of getting pregnant. The actress said that she was worried about how the simplest of things like bending over or sleeping on the belly would occur and what would be the consequences during the pregnancy.

Amrita also revealed that the thought of getting pregnant made her anxious. She recalled the time when she got an anxiety attack for the first time. She further said that she couldn't sleep at night for almost a month and a half.

—ETimes

'Everything must change but love remains the same'



One of India's greatest music directors Ilaiyaraaja on Tuesday said that everything in the world must change but the one thing that would remain the same was love. He made this observation in a reply to director Aishwarya Rajinikanth, who had put out a series of pictures on so-

cial media about a recent meeting she had had with him.

Aishwarya had said, "My Monday mid noon couldn't have been more musical and magical. Always a delight to spend time with my dearest Ilaiyaraaja uncle." Responding to her tweet, Ilaiyaraaja said, "Am happy to meet and spend time. Many things may happen in one's life but one thing will never change - my true love. God bless you. Be happy always. Everything must change. But one thing will remain the same, that's love." —IANS

Just say congrats and see Alia Bhatt blush

While Alia Bhatt is busy shooting amid rumours of her wedding with boyfriend Ranbir Kapoor, the 'Gangubai Kathiawadi' star has been receiving congratulatory messages for the big day.

While in Boston, filmmaker Farah Khan, who was surrounded by fans, FaceTimed Karan Johar and they ended up having a chat with Alia and Ranveer Singh, who were shooting for their film 'Rocky Aur Rani Ki Prem Kahani'.

Fans got excited and congratulated Alia for her rumoured wedding. The actor blushed and smiled and replied, "for what?" "Alia was in shock with all of our excitement too," wrote a fan who shared the clip of the moment on social media.

Sources suggest that Ranbir and Alia's wedding will be a 4-day-long affair at the RK house. The functions will start from April 13 with the Mehendi ceremony followed by a Sangeet ceremony on the next day and finally the wedding on April 15. Earlier, on Monday, a car was spotted at Ranbir's house loaded with Sabyasachi outfits for the bride and groom. ANI



Behind every success story, there are strong maternal figures

...Or at least that is the scene in PC's case, actor proudly reveals

It's the strong women in her life that raised Priyanka Chopra to become one of the powerful personalities.

On Tuesday, Priyanka took to Instagram and recalled how her "nani" (maternal grandmother) played a consistent part in her upbringing.

"All of 6, celebrating my Nani's (maternal grandmother) birthday. She helped raise me while my mom and dad balanced studying and medical careers. She was a hugely consistent part of my upbringing. I feel so lucky that I had so many strong maternal figures in my life. I'm so grateful for you all," she wrote.

Alongside the heartfelt note, the 'Mary Kom' star dropped a few images with her grandmother.

The pictures feature little PeeCee (Priyanka fondly called 'PeeCee' by her fans) celebrating her nani's birthday.

Meanwhile, on the work front, Priyanka is awaiting the release of her film 'Text For You'. She also recently wrapped the shoot for her Amazon series 'Citadel', a much-anticipated TV series that comes from the Russo Brothers, the directors of MCU movies like 'Avengers: End Game'.

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